

# **FAQS RE JULY 4, 2012**

# WHEN AND WHERE ARE THE FIREWORKS?

A fireworks display co-hosted by the City of Santa Barbara and the nonprofit organization SPARKLE begins at 9pm, Wednesday, July 4 off of West Beach. Fireworks produced by Bay Fireworks and funded by the City's Waterfront Department will be launched from the beach. The show lasts approximately 18-20 minutes. All of West Beach is open for free viewing.

# IS THERE FOOD AND REFRESHMENT AVAILABLE?

The public is encouraged to come down to the waterfront early in the day and enjoy the food and beverage vendors along Cabrillo Blvd. (between State and Castillo streets) beginning at 11 a.m. through the start of the fireworks. Please try to use public transportation, walk or bike to the area.

#### WHAT ABOUT MUSIC?

Live music will be featured during SPARKLE's 2012 Freedom Celebration at West Beach beginning at 7pm and free to the public. Entertainment includes a 50 piece combo band from the Air National Guard band of the Southwest.

AM Radio 1290 has been designated Santa Barbara's official 4th of July radio station and will provide simulcast patriotic music to accompany the 18-20 minute pyrotechnic display. The public is encouraged to bring their own radios to the beach and tune into AM1290. In addition, KDB Radio 93.7FM will be broadcasting patriotic music during the fireworks.

# WHAT ARE THE REGULATIONS?

Remember, in order to make this a safe and fun event for everyone:

- No fireworks
- No alcohol
- No glass
- No pit digging
- No open fires
- No dogs on the beach
- No parking adjacent to railroad tracks (cars will be towed)

(Effective July 4, 2012 from 12:01am to 12 midnight City of Santa Barbara Municipal Code 15.16.220) It is also strongly recommended that pets are left at home for their safety.

#### **HOW DO I GET TO THE WATERFRONT?**

# For complete MTD information, call 963-3364 or go to www.sbmtd.gov

# MTD Bus & Shuttle Service:

MTD will operate its regular Sunday schedule on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

The following services will accommodate those attending the parade and fireworks events.

#### STATE STREET Shuttle Service:

Service is provided between the Dolphin Fountain & Sola Street

9am-10am every 30 minutes.

10am-12 noon every 10 minutes.

[Break in service for the parade.]

3pm-9pm every 10 minutes.

(When lower State Street is closed to traffic, the shuttles will turn around via Gutierrez, Chapala, & Haley Streets. They will not serve the Dolphin Fountain.)

[Break in service for the fireworks]

## After fireworks:

Buses will depart the MTD Downtown Transit Center as follows:

Line 1 to the Westside 10:20pm Line 5 to the Mesa 10:15pm

Line 11 to UCSB 9:30pm, 10:20pm, & 10:50pm

Line 20 to Carpinteria 10:50pm

Line 24x to Camino Real Marketplace via UCSB 9:45pm & 10:50pm

### WATERFRONT SHUTTLE

Service will be provided between the Harbor and the Zoo every 15 minutes from 10am to 6pm or as long as Cabrillo Boulevard remains open to traffic.

#### WILL STREETS BE CLOSED?

People are encouraged to walk, bike, take the bus or carpool down to the waterfront to help with traffic congestion. Cabrillo Blvd. between Castillo Street and Calle Cesar Chavez will be shut down to ALL traffic no later than 6pm and opened as quickly as possible when the fireworks are over. Many streets in the waterfront area will be one way only or closed after 5pm. Closure times may vary subject to traffic and parking situations.

# **PARKING RESTRICTIONS?**

Please be advised that any cars parked adjacent to the Union Pacific railroad tracks will be towed. There is no parking on either side of Cabrillo Blvd from State Street to Castillo from 12 a.m July 4 through 12 midnight.

# **ADA ACCESSIBILITY:**

For information on accessibility, please go to <a href="https://www.santaBarbaraCA.gov/July4ADA">www.santaBarbaraCA.gov/July4ADA</a>

# **INFORMATION SOURCES:**

City of Santa Barbara: <a href="www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov">www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov</a>
SPARKLE: <a href="www.sparklesb.com">www.sparklesb.com</a> or 805.568.0020

MTD: www.sbmtd.gov or call 963-3366

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